# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
# LOK SABHA

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SYNTHETIC SURFACE IN TRAINING CENTRE BY SAI
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether Sports Authority of India (SAI) has laid down synthetic surface in its training centres in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the criteria adopted;

(c) the number of centres where synthetic surface has been laid down in the country, State-wise;

(d) the reason for the exclusion of training centres of Goa from the said facility;

(e) whether SAI Training Centre provides induction of 75 numbers of inmates in the Hostel;

(f) if so, whether SAI Centres in Goa are having less number of inmates; and

(g) if so, the reasons therefor and the action being taken by the SAI thereon?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SUNIL DUTT)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Sports Authority of India (SAI) has laid down synthetic surface in its Regional Centres, Sub-Centres and its Stadia in New Delhi. The synthetic surfaces are provided to these SAI Centres based on availability of sports talent in the area.

(c): The centers where synthetic surfaces have been laid by SAI are as under:

| | Hockey | Athletics |
|---|---|---|
| i) SAI, Southern Centre, Bangalore | 1 | 1 |
| ii) SAI, Western Centre, Gandhinagar | 1 | 1 |
| iii) SAI Eastern Centre, Kolkata | 1 | - |
| iv) SAI NSNIS, Patiala | 1 | 1 |
| v) SAI Sub-Centre, Lucknow | 1 | - |
| vi) J.N. Stadium, New Delhi | - | 1# |
| vii) Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi. | 2 | - |

# At J.N. Stadium in New Delhi there is also one warm up athletic track in addition to a standard athletic track.

(d) SAI has laid synthetic surfaces only in its Regional/Sub-Centres and its Stadia in Delhi. At present, no SAI Training Centre (STC), including center at Goa, has provision of synthetic surface.

(e) to (g): The strength of the hostel inmates is between 50 to 100 trainees, depending on hostel accommodation and the available playing facilities. As on 31.3.2004, there were 181 trainees at STC, Goa of whom 85 were residential. The admission process for the current year is presently on.